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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: CONGO BRAZZAVILLE

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2. ON OTHER HAND, HUNT SAID, NGOUABI GENUINELY WISHED TO RESTORE RELATIONS WITH US AND HAD BEEN GREATLY PLEASED BY PRESENCE PRESIDENT OF AMERICAN TEXTILE FIRM (HUNT COULDN'T RECALL NAME) AT RECENT INAUGURATION OF TEXTILE PLANT IN CONGO WHICH IS JOINTLY OWNED BY FRENCH AND AMERICAN INTERETS. NGOUABI HAD ALSO BEEN IMPRESSED BY RECENT RESTORATION US-ALGERIAN RELATIONS.

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